

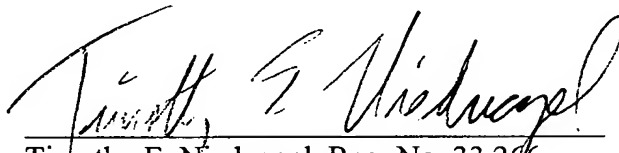
## REMARKS

Entry of this preliminary amendment prior to examination of the application is respectfully requested. Claims 3-6, and 9-12 have been amended to delete the multiple dependency.

Please charge any additional fees required or credits to the account of Baker & Daniels Deposit Account No. 02-0390.

In the event that there are any questions related to these amendments or to the application in general, the undersigned would appreciate the opportunity to address those questions directly in a telephone interview to expedite the prosecution of this application for all concerned.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Timothy E. Niednagel", is written over a horizontal line.

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